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From the Evening Post, Nov. 21.

Dantzick, Nov. 17.

THE Apprehenſion we were under, that ſome of the Poliſh Troops would forcibly take up their Winter-quarters in the Villages belonging to this City, is now entirely vaniſhed; becauſe theſe Troops have marched away from our Neighbourhood, to Quarters aſſign'd them in Poland, taking the Route along Brandenburg-Pruſſia, purſuant to the Orders they received from the Crown General. The Deputies who were ſent to Dreſden on the part of the Proteſtants in Poland, have received Aſſurances from his Poliſh Majeſty, upon his Royal Word, that he will not ſuffer them to be moleſted.

Lucern, Nov. 18. Letters from Italy ſay, That the Hereditary Prince of Modena arrived the 6th Inſtant at Genoa, and lodges at a Palace hired for him in that City. The ſame Letters add, that 'tis talked he will be declared Commander General of the Sea Forces of that Republick, with a Salary of 30,000 Florins a Month.

Hague, Nov 24. By a Ship arrived from the Eaſt-Indies, the only one that remained this Year, we have an Account, That 3 of our Eaſt-India Ships, bound 2 of them from Batavia, and the other from Coylon, were loſt at the Cape of Good Hope in a Storm; no more than 30 Perſons being ſaved out of all their Crews.

London, Nov. 21. The Hannibal, Capt. Turner, is to carry 50 Men, Part of theſe we formerly mentioned to be deſign'd for Capt. Berſoot of the Ratcliff, now bound out for Jamaica with Maſts, Yards and other Neceſſaries, for the Uſe and Service of the Prince Frederick and the 2 Sloops belonging to the S. S. Company, now at Vera Crux in New Spain.

The late Porter of the Lord Carteret being troubled with a Looſeneſs, was adviſed to make uſe of Stipticks; but in ſome Hours after the Application, his Body burſt while alive, and was interr'd laſt Night.

From the St. James's Evening-Poſt, Nov. 21.

Soiſſons, Nov. 18. On Monday Morning the Miniſters Plenipotentiary who are here, met as uſual in the Caſtle, but the Conference did not laſt long, none of the Imperial Plenipotentiaries being preſent. We cannot yet tell how the Negociations ſtand, every Thing being hitherto kept very ſecret. The Domeſticks and Equipage of Count de Baſſewitz, the Duke of Holſtein's Miniſter Plenipotentiary, are ſet out from hence, and his Hotel is to be let, ſo that it is not likely that the ſaid Miniſter will return hither, as having met with ſome Difficulties to be admitted to the Conferences on the foot with the other Miniſters Plenipotentiary. Yeſterday Count de Brancas entertained at Dinner all the Miniſters Plenipotentiary who are here, with ſeveral Ladies and other Perſons of Diſtinction; and that Evening the Marquis de Fenelon gave a ſumptuous Supper to the Illuſtrious Company, followed by a Ball which laſted till Morning. Thoſe Feaſts were given by the French Miniſters on occaſion of the King's Recovery. The Biſhop of this Place, waits only for a Mandate to have *Te Deum* ſung on that Occaſion.

Hague, Nov. 23. The States of Holland continue their Aſſembly, and the Great Penſionary being pretty well recovered of an Indiſpoſition, is expected to aſſiſt at it Tomorrow. Baron Keppel is on his Return hither from Berlin. The Count de Teſſin (who was formerly Envoy from Sweden to the Emperor) is arrived here with his Lady from Stockholm. They intend to ſet out in a few Days for Paris, to make ſome Stay there.

Paris, Nov. 24. On Sunday the 14th Inſt. the King aſſiſted between five and ſix aclock in the Evening at *Te Deum* ſung in his Chapel at Fountainbleau, after which his Majeſty went to the Duke of Orleans's Apartment, to ſee a Firework played upon a large Reſervoir of Water, near that Part of the Caſtle; and for ſeveral Days paſt great Rejoicings have been made here, upon the happy Occaſi-

on of his Majesty's entire Recovery. On the 15th their Excellencies Mr. Stanhope and Mr. Walpole arrived here from Fountainbleau; and the Guarde de Sceaux came hither the 16th. On the 19th their Most Christian Majesties went to Petitbourg, and arrived the next Day at Versailles. The Bishop of Usez died the 18th Instant, in the 93d Year of his Age, and was buried the 30th in the Church of St. Gervais.

London, Nov. 21. The Manufacture of making Silk Tapestry, so often attempted both in France and Italy, is now brought to Perfection, by a Society of ingenious Gentlemen at King's-Arms Stairs opposite to Whitehall in Southwark. The Patterns are taken from the four Elements, curiously painted by the famous Mr. Le Brun; and in the Figures upon Silk, the Shades are so well contrived, that all who see it not only admire, but are surprized at the Performance; the Figures being in full Proportion, and Life imitated beyond what is possible to conceive. The best Artificers belonging to the Silk Manufactories have been employed for near 2 Years in contriving and settling this extraordinary Piece of Tapis; to work which, has been a vast Expence to the Proprietors, who are above 80 in Number. But 'tis thought the Advantages which will arise from the Product, will sufficiently make amends for the Money that has been depursed upon this Occasion.

From the Whitehall Evening Post Nov. 21.

Lisbon, Oct. 20. There is a current Report, that the Differences between the King and the Holy See will soon be made up; That Mr. Bichi is returned to Rome, there to make the Submission requir'd of him; and that Sigr. Firrau his Successor will forthwith take upon him the Character of his Holiness's Nuncio.

Francfort, Nov. 18. They have published here a Mandate of the Circle of the Upper Rhine, which prohibites the carrying out Silver, coin'd or otherwise, on pain of Confiscation.

London, Nov. 21. Some eminent Distillers have petitioned, That they may be allowed to lowee their foreign Brandy, Rum, &c. which they shall hereafte import above Proof.

[illegible]ards have put particular Hardships up[illegible] on the Commerce of the British at the Canaries, where they permit the Ships of all Nations to trade without performing Quarentaine, except the English, tho' they come from the same Ports.

From the Daily Post Boy, Nov. 20.

Petersburg, Oct. 20. We hear that Count Wratislaw, Ambassador Extraordinary from the Emperor of the Romans, has so far succeeded in his Negociations at the Court of Moscow, that a Treaty has been signed. His Russian Majesty engages to keep in readiness for marching, for the use of the Emperor, whenever required, a Body of 20,000 Men. It is stipulated by the same Treaty, that Merchandices from the Hereditary Dominions of the Emperor, shall never be prohibited under any Pretence whatever, and shall be exposed to publick Sale in all the principal Towns of the Russian Empire, without paying any Toll or Duty. 'Tis given out that Mr. Solticoff, who is gone with full Powers to conclude a Treaty of Peace with Sultan Esref, has also got Instructions for concluding one for Commerce.

By some Vessels lately come from Tetuan, we have received the following Particulars of the great Damage done by the Blacks to the Town of Mequinez: 1st, They possess'd themselves of the Treasure the fugitive King Abdemelech had brought thither; besides which, they carried off from the Houses they plundred, such an immense Quantity of wrought Gold, Silver and Jewels, that in order to turn these valuable Things into Money, they sold them in the open Country for two Thirds less than the Worth. Moreover, their Brutality went so far, that they carried several young Maidens away, and sold them to other Blacks. However, all is quiet there again. The Inhabitants of Fez still make a vigorous Resistance against the Blacks.

Paris, Nov. 24. Last Week the Publick was admitted gratis to the Representations of the Opera, and of the French and Italian Comedians, on occasion of the Recovery of his Majesty.

Orders were given lately by the King, for posting again at Sante-cerf, about the Middle of the Forest of Villers-Cotterets, a Guard of the Marshalsea, for the better Preservation of the Courtiers and other Travellers.

Last

Laſt Sunday their Majeſties ſigned the Marriage-Articles of the Marquis of Rochlionart, with Madamoiſelle d'Armentiers.

London, Nov. 21. Yeſterday a Grenadier of the Firſt Regiment of Guards, and of the Honourable Collonel Price's Company, received nine ſcore Laſhes for threatning to burn his Lodgings.

Yeſterday a Woman was found dead in her Bed, in French alley, Golden-lane, ſuppos'd to have died with exceſſive drinking Geneva.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, Nov. 23.

Since our laſt arrived a Mail from Holland.

THE Letters from Madrid adviſe, That on the 6th inſtant that Court diſpatched a Courier to Paris; but that there was no Talk of carrying his Majeſty's final Anſwer to the new Propoſals made to facilitate the Concluſion of a Truce. It ſeems, according to what is reported, he expects News from France, before he will come to a Determination; and that in the mean time they expected the Galleons at Cadix.

On the other hand, 'tis aſſured that his Catholic Majeſty will not explain himſelf upon the Subject of an Abatement (for which the Dutch and Britiſh Miniſters at that Court have again renewed their Inſtances) of the Indulto on the Effects aboard the Galleons, till it be known what the Charges of the Fleet, and the Prejudice occaſioned by the Delay of the Galleons, amounts to.

We want to know, what Anſwer the before named Prince has given, or will give, to the Complaints made by the Engliſh, of his Privateers continuing to take their Ships; notwithſtanding, by virtue of the Preliminaries, all Hoſtilities ſhould ceaſe. But it ſeems he expects News from France before he comes to a Determination.

Mean Time we cannot but intirely rely and depend upon having our valuable Poſſeſſions ſecured and obſerved: As to the Fortreſs of Gibraltar no coſt or pains have been wanting for making it the moſt impregnable that could be done. And 'tis written from Barcelona, that the Engliſh continue to fortify themſelves at Portmahon; that they have dug a Ditch in the Rock on which the Fort of St. Philip is built, and have alſo conſiderably augmented the Artillery; and as the Stone is pretty ſoft, they were about contriving ſubterranean Places to ſecure the Gariſon from Bombs in caſe of an Attack.

Private Letters from Petersburg bring the good News of Mr. Ward, the Britiſh Conſul, having been very well received in Ruſſia; and that the Engliſh Merchants there were treated with much more Friendſhip and Civility, with reſpect to Trade and Commerce, and that they expected a ſpeedy Accommodation with G. Britain.

This Day there was a grand Feaſt and Conſort of Muſick, at the junior Dutcheſs of Marlborough's, on occaſion of the Birthday of the Lady Mary Godolphin, her Daughter, who is now 5 Years old. Many of the Nobility were preſent.

As to what has been hinted in the News-papers, of the Marriage of the Marquis of Blandford, Son to her Grace, appears groundleſs.

'Tis diſcourſed that there will be a Reform of the Clerks belonging to the S. S. Company; thoſe who were appointed ſome time ago as the Company's Factors to the Spaniſh America, have not yet received Orders to depart thither.

The Lord Mayor and Aldermen, having appointed a Committee to take Care that the City be better lighted for the future, as a means to prevent Street Robberies, the preſent Lamps called *Convex Lights*, the whole Number of which are about 2000 being not ſo uſeful on account of ſo much Tinn-work being about them, ſeveral Sorts of others, particulary thoſe called *Conick*, which are almoſt old Glaſs, are to be viewed next Week by the ſaid Committee, for their Approbation.

There was a General Council this Day at St. James's; and 'tis reported that the Parliament is prorogued to the 14th Day of January.

Mr. Friend, Maſter of the Ship Samuel and Mary, who in his late Voyage from Malaga had his Mate and ſeveral Sailors kill'd by a French Man of War, who fired upon him, has with 2 of his Men been examin'd at the Admiralty-office touching that Affair; and the ſame appearing to have been done thro' Neglect of Capt. Friend, they don't deſign to trouble the French Court about it.

From the St. James's Evening-Poſt, Nov. 23.

Bruſſels, Nov. 28. Yeſterday came to the Arch-

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dutchess our Governess General, an Express from Vienna, with some important Dispatches touching the East India Company, In the mean Time, as we are assured the same will be suspended in case the Tr aty between the several Powers of Europe goes forward, the Preparations that were making at Ostend for the sailing away of the two new Ships for Etst India are stopt, and we daily expect some other Turn of the Company's Affairs. However, the Actions have not at all diminished since this Matter has been in Agitation; and we have Advice from Antwerp, that they sell as current as they did three Years ago.

Vienna, Nov. 27. 'Tis talked as with Certainty, That assoon as Count Zinzendorf is returned from the Court of France, and has given the Emperor an Account of the Negociations of Peace, C. Windisgratz will repair to Paris with the Character of Plenipotentiary, and carry on the Negociations.

S. S. Stock, 101, 3 8ths.

From the Post-Boy, Nov. 23.

London, Nov. 23. The last Letters from Madrid advise, That the Contrivers of the Duke of Riperda's Escape are all known; but that the Court does not seek after them, for political Reasons.

From the Weekly Medley, Nov. 23.

By the Holland Mail we are advised, That the King of Spain has summoned the Cortes or States of the Kingdom to the 22d Instant, to consult them upon Affairs of the last Importance.

A Fire broke out on the 16th at Stockholm, in the House of a Wax-Chandler, which could not be extinguished till 4 next Morning, after burning 8 Palaces and about 32 Houses.

The Plague is again broke out at Constantinople and other Places in the Levant.

Edinburgh, Nov. 28. On Friday Morning last, about 1 a-clock, died at his Seat of Gordon-castle, the most Noble and Illustrious ALEXANDER Duke of GORDON, of a malignant Indisposition in his Breast, attended with a Shortness of Breath, which in 6 Days carried off his Grace. A Prince, whom Heaven had bless'd with Variety of uncommon Endowments; if consummate Honour and Integrity, an extensive Charity, innate Love of Virtue, and a scrupulous Aversion to whatever vicious or irregular, all sweetned with a blest natural Temper, be allow'd to pass for ought: And who, among the other shining Qualifications worthy of his high Birth, was so fully Master of that Humility so peculiar to his Illustrious Family, that he was justly esteem'd the most affable Man living. But as we cannot pretend in a News-paper *sufficiently* to do Justice to the Memory of so great and worthy a Prince, we shall briefly say, That he will be always justly regreted by good Men.

His Grace has left Issue, 4 Sons and 7 Daughters: Cosmos George, Marquis of Huntly, born April 27, 1720; Lord Charles, July 7th, 1721; Lord Lewis, December 22d, 1724; Lord Adam, January 10th, 1728; Lady Henrietta, born March 10th 1708; Lady Mary, Febr. 6th, 1712; Lady Anne, June 5th, 1713; Lady Elizabeth, Febr. 14, 1717; Lady Jean, Jan. 28, 1719; Lady Katharine, Decem. 2d, 1723; Lady Charlotte, Sept. 21, 1726. And her Grace is well gone with Child.

We hear his Grace was in the 48th or 49th Year of his Age.

Tomorrow, being the 10th Day of the Moon, it is High Water at Leith, at 9 aclock, 32 Minutes. On Saturday, at 10, 20 Min.

Haddington, Nov. 22. 1728.

Best Wheat, 09 10 00.	2d, 09 06 00	3d, 08 14 00
Best Bear, 08 15 00.	2d, 08 12 00	3d, 08 10 00
Best Oats, 07 00 00.	2d, 06 16 00	3d, 06 04 00
Best Pease, 06, 12 00.	2d, 06 06 00	3d, 06 00 00

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By Order of the Directors of the Edinburgh Friendly Insurance,

These are intimating, That all Bonds granted for the Insurance Præmiums, and not renewed as directed by the last General Meeting of the Society, are put in the Hands of the Society's Secretary, with Orders to do Diligence upon them, in case those, who have hitherto neglected, do not renew their respective Bonds, betwixt and the twenty eight Day of December next to come.

THO. ELIOT Secretary

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